

## ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRADE

The Flagstaff Board of Trade held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday in the offices of C. B. Wilson, with about twenty-five members present.

The best part of the evening was devoted to the discussion of tourist travel and accommodations for same. As it is poor policy to induce travelers to stop off in Flagstaff during the summer months, when the accommodations of the town are taxed to the limit, a committee was appointed to look into the matter of increasing the facilities for comfortably caring for our visitors.

A road to the San Francisco peaks is one of the important interests of the organization, and at the next meeting data will be presented on the proposition. It is thought that some help from the Santa Fe can be obtained in the building of this road, as with proper advertising it would soon become as famous as Pike's Peak.

Secretary Berg reported that he had written the boards of supervisors and county assessors, asking them to name Flagstaff as the place for the tax convention in July. Supervisor Woolfolk, who was present, stated that the Coconino board are using their influence in securing this convention.

The offer of Mayor Francis of the use of the hall, which the Eagle lodge has been occupying, met with favor, and the next meeting will be held there.

## LOCAL ELKS ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

There was a large attendance of Elks at their hall Tuesday night for the purpose of electing officers for the coming lodge year. The officers elected were as follows:

Exalted Ruler—W. W. Hudgings.

Leading Knight—A. A. Johnston.

Loyal Knight—Fred Hesser.

Lecturing Knight—Paul S. Coffin.

Secretary—Dr. E. S. Miller.

Treasurer—M. I. Powers.

Trustee—F. S. Breen.

Representative—E. A. Sliker.

Alternate—Ray Edv.

Tiler—Jack Wilson.

## BIRDS AND RACCOON FIGHT BATTLE FOR FOOD

George Hartman, who lives at 126 North Alarcon street, Prescott, tells an interesting story, which further illustrates the fact that animals, birds and mankind, are more attractively related to one another than the average person realizes. It also proves that animals and birds have more intelligence than they are given credit for.

Mr. Hartman owns a mining claim not far distant from Prescott. It is somewhat segregated from everything that borders on human activity. Recently he went out there to do some work. He noticed that hardly a single bird, even, was in sight. Soon, however, he noticed that some woodpeckers took possession of a couple of large trees near his cabin. Soon these birds were followed by more woodpeckers, until that class of birds were thick about the cabin and working diligently pecking holes in the trees and storing their homes with acorns and other kinds of food. Soon, Mr. Hartman says, he noticed that some kind of an animal had come in the night, and stripped the bark off the trees where the woodpeckers had been so diligently working, and he discovered a great many acorn shells at the foot of one of the trees, as if this animal had robbed the

woodpeckers and eaten the fruits of their labor. Early one morning he heard the most unearthly chatter of birds that he ever heard in all his life, and investigation proved that the woodpeckers had swarmed on to some kind of an animal in one of the trees, and were making it suffer for its depredations. He said the woodpeckers were so thick over the animal that it was only at times he could get a glimpse of a portion of the body of their victim. He at first thought the animal to be a wild cat, but whatever kind of enemy it might be, he was sure the birds had the best of it. Finally, the birds let up on their adversary, and the animal seemed to be dazed from the effects of its wounds, but it still was able to stay in the tree top. Mr. Hartman got his gun and shot it, and found that it was a large racoon, which had been half pecked to death by the birds in their indignant rage at being robbed of the fruits of their toil. —Journal-Miner.

## THERE WILL BE NO EXTRA CONGRESSIONAL SESSION

A letter received from Congressman Carl Hayden says that it has been positively announced at the White House that the president does not intend to call a special session of congress and adds: "I will leave Washington shortly after March 4th and will be able to remain in Arizona until December. I have been here almost continuously for the past three years and it is needless to say that I will be glad to get home. Any mail received at Phoenix will receive prompt attention."

**General Merchandise Broker**  
Marion J. Aubineau has established an office in the Pollock block for broker in general merchandise, and will cover all the important points in the state. Marion has splendid business ability, and with his several years' experience in the wholesale and retail trade will undoubtedly make a success of the business. If honesty, ability and hustling counts, he will have his share of the business.

## Concerning the Weather

The weather during the month of February just past has been exceptional only in the matter of a low mean temperature. The normal temperature for February is 31 degrees and the average temperature for the month past was 25 degrees, making that month the coldest on record with the exception of Feb. 1903, which was 3 degrees colder. The precipitation recorded was 2.38 inches of water which was .90 inches less than normal, and corresponded to 24 inches of snow. The snow depth in town at the end of the month averaged 12 inches but on the range was much deeper, probably averaging three to four feet.

The winter, beginning with December 1st, 1914, has averaged 5 degrees colder than normal, and has given us .38 inches of water in excess of normal. As this precipitation was all in the form of snow, which on account of the unusual cold did not melt, it has resulted in much more snow accumulating upon the ground than for several years. The total snow fall this year is 77 inches and represents 8.57 inches of water; of this amount snow to the amount of 4 inches of water is still upon the ground.

Senator Goldwater, of Yavapai, has introduced a resolution asking for an investigation of the state officers, more particularly Warden Sims, of the penitentiary. Lee, of Maricopa, is out after the pool halls. There is some hope that churches will be unmolested at this reform-progressive session.

## SOCIAL EVENING ENJOYED BY KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS

On Wednesday evening, Mountain Lodge, No. 15, celebrated the fifty-first anniversary of the order at their hall in this city, after the regular lodge business was concluded. Thirty Knights sat down to an elaborate banquet, and after the inner man had been satisfied, Knight Francis D. Crable, on behalf of the lodge, after reviewing the principles of the order and its remarkable growth, presented, in a few well chosen remarks, Past Chancellor jewels to the following Past Chancellors present, in appreciation of their efforts in behalf of the lodge in former years: F. A. Thies, N. G. Layton, John Marshall, I. F. Wheeler, A. L. Sims, W. W. Durham, R. J. Kidd and R. F. Bongberg, all of whom made happy responses.

The remainder of the evening was spent in card games and social intercourse.

All present went to their respective homes feeling that they had spent a most enjoyable evening.

## Elks Invited to Winslow

The local lodge of Elks are endeavoring to secure a party of Elks to attend a special big blow out at Winslow on Saturday afternoon and evening March 13th at which time a class of from fifteen to twenty new members will be taken into the order. Rates can be secured if fifteen tickets are sold for the occasion. A cordial invitation has been extended to all Elks to attend and they are guaranteed a most enjoyable time. Nothing actually wicked will be done to the candidates, at least nothing that a person could be hung for.

## January Weather Report

The monthly climatological bulletin gives the following data concerning the snowfall in this vicinity for the month of January: Flagstaff 32.0 inches; on adjacent mountains 48.0 inches; Fort Valley 35.0 inches; Williams 21.0 inches; on adjacent mountains 36.0 inches. In all cases the snowfall was above the average.

## WHY NOT A WINTER RATE TO PHOENIX?

The question is being persistently asked by Flagstaff people "Why there is no cheap round-trip rate to Phoenix and return during the winter months?"

The Santa Fe usually makes a rate of about \$12.00 round trip to Flagstaff and return in the summer, and in reality there is more travel from Flagstaff south in the winter months. More people would make the trip to Phoenix if such a rate could be secured.

## Owns Oak Creek Cannery

Eugene M. Barron, president and general manager of the Oak Creek Canning company, passed through Jerome last Saturday on his way to Phoenix, where he goes on business for that company. —Jerome News.

If 'Gene went on canning business, he certainly found the "canning" remarkably good when the bunch of Shriners got hold of him. He was tinned, canned and corned. However he promises to make the Oak Creek project a splendid business for all concerned within he next year.

## Too Late For Arizona

Reading, Pa.—Beer rations for chickens increases the yield of eggs, according to a local hotel keeper, whose daughter has been feeding chickens beer. She says that 13 hens last month produced 291 eggs.

## ADMINISTER CHLOROFORM TO KINNEY-CLAYPOOL BILL

House Bill 54, which had been resurrected from the dead, was again taken up and killed over again. This is the "extra-hazardous" occupation bill, aimed at the non-English speaking laborers. Speeches in behalf of it were made by Senators Chase and Webb, but the members of the other side, knowing what it was going to do, confined their remarks to "aye" when their names were called. The vote stood on the question of indefinite postponement.

Ayes—Bacon, Campbell, Crabb, Drachman, Garvin, Goldwater, Karns, Martin, McMillen, Riggs, Stapley, the President—12.

Nays—Chase, Claridge, Colter, Kinney, Lovin, Webb—6.

Absent—Mrs. Munds.

This law was a modification of the 80 per cent law passed by the people at the November election, killed by a vote of 12 to 6.

## Who's Who in Senate

One of the most popular members of the state senate is Coconino county's representative, Hugh E. Campbell, of Flagstaff.

Senator Campbell was born in Nova Scotia, in Eastern Canada, about 100 miles from the American line, June 10, 1862. Since he was fourteen years of age he has been making his own way in the world, and can be called a successful self-made man.

At the age of eighteen, he went to Wisconsin, where he lived three years, later coming to Coconino county, where he has since resided.

Senator Campbell married Miss Mary Chrisman, of Portland, Oregon, and to the union two children have been born, a daughter now ten years old and a son who has almost attained his majority.

Senator Campbell was a member of the State Fair Commission for five years. He was first appointed by Gov. Sloan and reappointed by Gov. Hunt. He was president of the commission for a time.

Senator Campbell is engaged in the cattle and sheep business. —Phoenix Gazette.

## AT THE COUNTY RECORDERS OFFICE

Bill of sale, C. W. Dodd and A. Blower to M. C. Metzger.

Bill of sale, Wm. F. Swift to Charles McGookin.

Claim of homestead, Sec. 21, T. 21, N. R. 1 E., William J. Parker.

Realty mortgage, Lillian H. Silvernail to Anna Schumann.

Warranty deed, Ygnacio Valdepenas to Francisco Valdeverro.

Writ of attachment, Babbitt-Polson Co. vs. A. R. Boling et ux.

Bill of sale, D. D. Smith to A. W. Cook.

Warranty deed, I. E. Brown et ux to K. L. Hughes.

Realty mortgage, K. L. Hughes et ux to Williams State Bank.

Warranty deed, Theresa Walsh to James Walsh.

Bill of sale, William H. Pitts to C. R. Morrow.

Bill of sale, Rose M. Anderson to John N. Anderson.

Bill of sale, A. W. Cook to D. D. Smith.

Petition for discharge of receiver. Matter of J. W. Marley et al.

Bill of sale, J. W. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Bill of sale, J. E. Marley et al to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, Kelo Pruitt to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, R. S. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, Norman Bennett to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, G. D. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, R. S. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, A. C. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Quit claim deed, J. W. Marley to J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Rock Station water hole, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Sunset Pass, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Iron water hole, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Moqui tank, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Indian tank, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Moonlight bay tank, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Coon tanks, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Hobo Tanks, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Salt Gravel water hole, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Three-Mile water hole, J. H. Fuller & Co.

Water location notice, Cedar Lake wash, J. H. Fuller & Co.

## NEWSY HAPPENINGS AT EMERSON PUBLIC SCHOOL

Why don't you visit the school?

Helen Black and Virginia Bozeman stood highest in fourth grade language test last week.

We are pleased to report that Miss Meek is on duty again.

What do you think now about winter just beginning? Eight below zero on Wednesday morning.

Here are some of the difficulties encountered by the children of the fifth grade last week in studying their history lessons, Thormoplae, Themistocles, Aristides, Xerxes and Leonidas. How would you like to be a fifth grader?

We are pleased to announce the return of Ernest Hogan to the eighth grade. He has been at Kingman for several weeks. Many new pupils are entering school this week. We expect many more as the spring weather approaches.

The seventh grade pupils had a Lowell-Longfellow program last Friday during the last hour of the afternoon.

The following pupils stood 100 per cent in fifth grade arithmetic every day last week: Rhoda Hollingshead, George Lamport, Gertrude Shields and Louise Switzer.

A new set of Harvard Classics, or as it is often called, "Dr. Eliot's Five Foot Shelf of Books" has just been bought for the school library for the special use of the teachers in their reference work. It consists of fifty volumes and is a valuable addition to any library. The teachers are all highly pleased with it.

The following pupils in the fifth grade spelling stood 100 per cent every day last week: Alta Dickinson, Mary McGookin, Bertram McKinney, Annetta Meech, Ruth Pierce, Rosa Salas, Clarence Shellman and Louise Switzer.

The handwork of the first and second grades consists at present of the making of windmills and kites; the third and fourth grades baskets and rugs; the bench work of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades consists in the making of tabourets, and the eighth graders are making tables with chairs to match.

Reba Switzer stood at the head of her class in eighth grade spelling for the past week.

Jessie Dickison is absent from the sixth grade this week. She is ill with the grip.

Among the amendments and laws passed by the people at the November election the only one that now stands is the prohibition amendment. The people do not seem to have a great deal of luck with the laws they make.

## MOTHERS' PENSION LAW IS HELD TO BE VOID

Phoenix, Feb. 27.—The old age and mothers' pension law, adopted through the initiative at the November election, was held invalid Saturday in an opinion rendered by Judge H. Crosby, of Apache county, sitting as superior judge in the court of this county.

Judge Crosby's opinion follows the argument of a test suit before him Friday, entitled "L. H. Buckstegge versus The State Board of Control," the case being brought purposely for testing the new law.

After listening to the arguments, and going deep into the law of the opinions of courts of other states rendered in somewhat similar matters, Judge Crosby sustaining the contentions of Attorneys H. M. Fennemore and Will E. Ryan on four of the points raised by them in their attack upon the old age and mothers' pension law. The effect of this decision is to declare that the law as passed by the initiative action of the voters is void and inoperative.

## Mrs. Sanford Rowe Dead

Word was received recently of the death of Mrs. Sanford Rowe in California, where she was staying with her sister, Mrs. Ed DuBoise. Mrs. Rowe was well known to the residents of the county, where she lived for many years, and was a most estimable lady. Mr. Rowe has for a number of years lived at Grand Canyon, and has many friends who sympathize with him in his loss.

## JEROME'S HOTEL IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

The Montana hotel, at Jerome, one of the largest and most complete hostleries in the state, was burned to the ground at 3 o'clock Monday morning, and is a total loss.

The hotel was built by Senator Clark, and cost, with its furnishings, more than \$250,000. There was no loss of life, but many of the guests and employees were compelled to flee in their night clothes, leaving all their effects behind them.

Snowflake has a flour mill project on foot, with a capacity of 20,000 bushels daily.

## LUCKY ESCAPE FROM A MURDEROUS KNIFE

A. S. Worthington, employed as a driver by Wm. Beeson, came near being sliced up by a Mexican Tuesday afternoon. He was delivering a load of wood to the Mexican, who wanted it dumped in an inaccessible place. When informed that it could not be done, a bunch of four Mexicans attacked Worthington. One of them had a big murderous looking knife in his hand when the attack was made. Worthington escaped without injury, and the knife wielder was later landed in the county jail.

## Library Report Feb. 21-28

Books loaned—126.  
Readers—189.  
Cards issued—11.  
Books received—12.  
First Love—Vorst.  
Hill Rise—Maxwell.  
The Last Days of Pompei—Lytton.  
The Song of the Pines—Mathews.  
At Close Range—Smith.  
A Forest Hearth—Major.  
Travers—Dean.  
The Climax—Pden.  
The Challenge—Clerney.  
Red Sanders—Phillips.  
Deacon Lysander—Greene.  
The Fillbuster—Hyne.